



# Saint Anne Catholic Church

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## MISSION STATEMENT

### St. Anne's Catholic Community

Aware of our rich Roman Catholic tradition and our own particular parish needs, we commit ourselves to the building of a Christian community in which the Gospel of Jesus Christ might be exemplified and fulfilled.

To accomplish this mission and vision, we covenant ourselves to action in the following areas:

**Prayer:**

That individually and as a parish, we must create an atmosphere in which we recognize prayer as essential to our lives and liturgical celebrations as public expression of the source and summit of our lives in Christ.

**Education:**

That individually and as a community, we support Catholic education and a learning environment that addresses the uniqueness of each person by providing opportunity for maximum spiritual, intellectual, physical and social development.

**Fellowship:**

That individuals, small groups and the parish community recognize our responsibility to welcome all, accept our rich diversity, reverence our uniqueness and reconcile our differences.

**Outreach:**

That individually and as a community we pledge ourselves to be aware of the needs of others. We must not hesitate to respond to suffering, deprivation, separation or the loss of human dignity.

**Parish Address:** 316 Euclid Ave.,  
Bristol, VA 24201

**MASS SCHEDULE:**

Saturday (Anticipation of Sunday) ..5:30 p.m.  
Sunday: 8:30 am & 11:30 am;  
Spanish at 230p  
Monday: 6:00pm (NO Mass on 1st Monday)  
Tuesday.....8:30 a.m.  
Wednesday..... 8:30 a.m.  
Thursday.....6:00 p.m.  
Friday.....8:30 a.m.  
Saturday/daily Mass..... 9:30 a.m.  
Holy Days: Call the office for Mass times

**TELEPHONE NUMBERS:**

**Parish Office** ..... (276) 669-8200  
Office hours: Monday thru Friday 9a-4p  
Parish email: [stannes@stannes-bristol.org](mailto:stannes@stannes-bristol.org)  
Website: .....[www.stannes-bristol.org](http://www.stannes-bristol.org)  
**St. Anne's School** ..... 276-669-0048  
email: [schooloffice@stanneschoolbristol.org](mailto:schooloffice@stanneschoolbristol.org)  
Address: 580 Oakview Ave., Bristol, VA

**Parish Registration** - Call the church office.

**Confessions:**

Tues., Wed., Thurs., 5:00-6:00 p.m.,  
Sat., 8:45a-9:30a; 415-515p p.m.  
or by appointment.

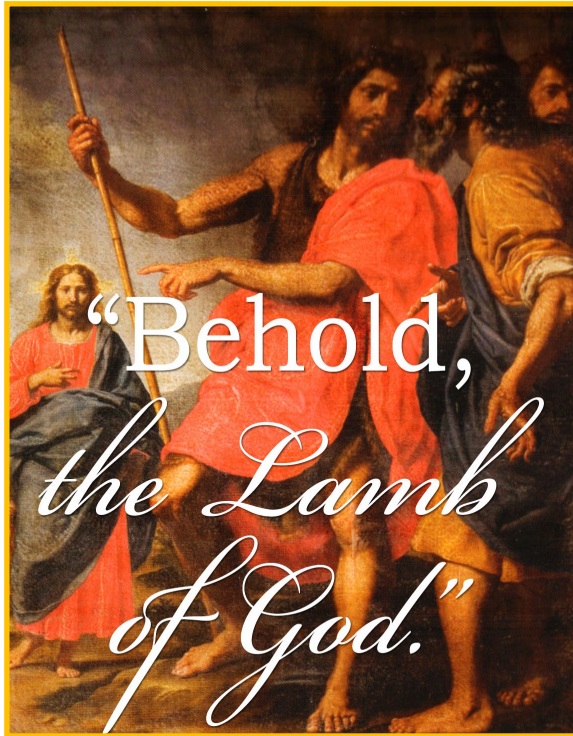
**Adoration:** Tues. 9-10a; Sat. 8:30-9:30a  
"First" Tuesdays, 9a to 9p

**Baptisms:** Parents must attend Baptism Preparation. Contact the parish ofc.

**Weddings:** 8 months notice required to complete Marriage Preparation.

**Interested in Joining the Catholic Church?**

Join our INQUIRY sessions to learn more about the Catholic faith. Please contact the parish office.



Last Sunday, on the feast of the Epiphany, we heard the familiar story of the magi, who, directed by the star to Bethlehem, find the baby Jesus. Today we hear of the first disciples, who, directed by John the Baptist, encounter the adult Jesus. That initial encounter changes the entire course of their lives, for, as Andrew insists to his brother Simon, *“We have found the Messiah.”* May our encounter with the Lord, here and elsewhere, influence the way we live our lives as well.

**Scripture for next Sunday**  
*Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**Jonah 3:1-5, 10**

*The Ninevites turned from their evil way.*

**Psalm 25**

*“Teach me your ways, O Lord.”*

**1 Corinthians 7:29-31**

*The world in its present form is passing away.*

**Mark 1:14-20**

*Repent and believe in the Gospel.*

In the first reading next Sunday, God sends Jonah to the huge city of Nineveh, where he warns of God’s wrath and calls for repentance. In the Gospel, Jesus comes to Galilee calling for repentance as well. He proceeds to call his first disciples, promising that he would change their lives. They follow immediately, much as the residents of Nineveh turned toward the Lord immediately. As Paul reminds the Corinthians, *“time is running out.”* Let us realize the urgency with which we are called to repent and follow the Lord.

A Message from Father Tom...

Eli, the priest, was corrupt and not oriented towards a life in the Lord. He went about his days thinking of himself and his tasks. So, when Samuel, who had been dedicated to the Lord, heard the Lord calling him in the night, Eli couldn’t advise Samuel properly. Eventually, he realized what was happening, though not through faith, but through logic.

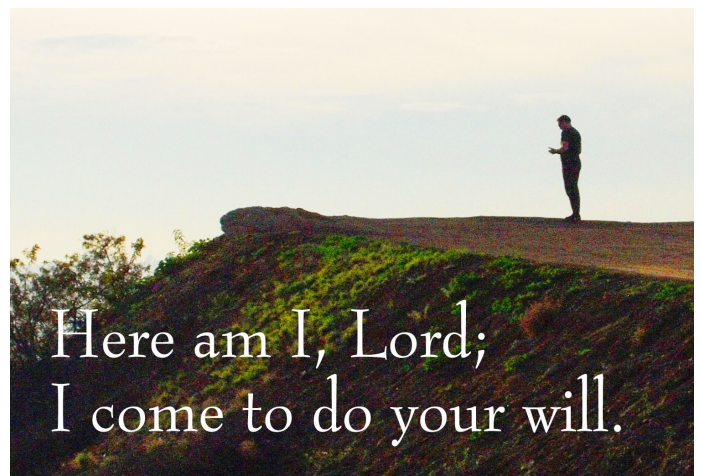
Logic and reason are good, and quite necessary for us to best use our human faculties. But, being able to discern the Lord’s call has no substitute.

In the gospel, Andrew believed early that what John the Baptist testified to: that Jesus is the Christ, the Lamb of God.

How are our listening skills: listening for the Lord? Do we more often orient our lives towards ourselves rather than towards the members of the Body and Christ the Head?

As we “prepare” for the penitential season of Lent (starting Valentine’s Day this year), let’s begin our practice of taking time and attention to listen for the Lord, so that we can reply—

***“Speak, for your servant is listening.”***





Senior High & Junior High  
YOUTH MINISTRY

- Jan. 14 — Youth Ministry (BYC 6-8p)
  - **Journey to Confirmation** (BYC 6-8p)
- Jan. 21 — Youth Ministry (BYC 6-8p)
  - **Call to Confirmation (11:30a Mass)**
  - **Journey to Confirmation** (BYC 6-8p)
- Jan. 28 — Youth Ministry (BYC 6-8p)
  - **Confirmation RETREAT (12:30p-4p)**
- Saturday Feb. 3 — **Confirmation Mass 11 a.m. with Bishop Knestout**
  - **Be at St. Anne's at 10:15am!**
- February 4 — Youth Ministry (BYC 6-8p)

The Parish Office will be closed Monday, Jan. 15 for the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday. (Bulletin notices are still due by noon Monday, on voicemail 276-669-8200 ext. 0 or on email at [stannes@stannes-bristol.org](mailto:stannes@stannes-bristol.org))



*“Hate is too great a burden to bear.  
Darkness cannot drive out darkness;  
only light can do that.  
Hate cannot drive out hate;  
only love can do that.*

*In some not too distant tomorrow  
the radiant stars of love and brotherhood  
will shine over our great nation with  
all their scintillating beauty.”*  
(Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.)

**2024 Annual Diocesan Appeal:  
Sharing His Love with Others**

Welcome to the 2024 Annual Diocesan Appeal—*Sharing His Love with Others*. The 2024 Appeal will provide critical funding to three key areas of our Diocesan Church:

*Empowering the Next Generation  
Providing for Those in Need  
Strengthening Catholic Communities*

Our parish receives back a portion of the funds collected and in complement to the funds returned to the parish through the parish sharing formula, the 2024 Appeal also benefits us through many ministries and programs.

**Holy Hour**

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
Tuesday, January 16th, 9a to 10a**

*(Begins immediately following the 8:30a Mass)*

**Respect Life Rosary:**

Pro-Life Rosary will be prayed on Wednesday, Jan. 17 at 12:15 p.m. in the Saint Augustine Center.

**Wednesday Bible Study:**

We will have bible study on Wed., Jan. 17 at 1 p.m. at the St. Augustine Center.

*Sing to God with  
Gladness*

Choir rehearsals resume this Wednesday, January 17 at 5:30 p.m. in the church. Adults and High School teens who love to sing are welcome to join Saint Anne's Choir. Join us to bring praise and glory to the Lord!!

**REMEMBER TO  
PRAY for VOCATIONS!**

*“Come, and you will see.”*

How are you being called to come and see how you can build up the kingdom of God as His co-worker? Consider the generous service of priesthood or consecrated life. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Office of Vocations at the Richmond Diocese by calling 804-359-5661 or you can email them at [vocations@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:vocations@richmonddiocese.org).



**Masses For The Week**

**Saturday, January 13** (*Vigil—2nd Sunday/Ordinary Time*)

5:30 p.m. †John Oliver

**Sunday, January 14** (*Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*)

8:30 a.m. †Bill Burriss

11:30 a.m. †Mary Elizabeth Heath

2:30 p.m. Parishioners (*Spanish Mass*)

**Monday, Jan. 15**

6:00 p.m. Special Intention: Barbara Dittmar

**Tuesday, Jan. 16**

8:30 a.m. †Dennis Hahn

**Wednesday, Jan. 17**

8:30 a.m. †Anna Moyer

**Thursday, Jan. 18**

6:00 p.m. Special Intention: Sheri Schreiber

**Friday, Jan. 19**

8:30 a.m. no intention yet scheduled

**Saturday, Jan. 20**—*weekday* Mass at 8:30 a.m.

**Saturday, January 20** (*Vigil—3rd Sunday/Ordinary Time*)

5:30 p.m. †Theresa Orobona

**Sunday, January 21** (*Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*)

8:30 a.m. †Dennis Hahn

11:30 a.m. no intention yet scheduled

2:30 p.m. no intention yet scheduled (*Spanish Mass*)



**March for Life**

The right to life is a human right. Our defense of that right is a joyful witness to the beauty and dignity of every human person. The annual **March for Life** in Washington, D.C. is an inspiring, peaceful, vibrant, and joy-filled rally of men, women, young people, and children from all across the country. Every year, tens of thousands of pro-lifers converge on the National Mall and march on Capitol Hill on or near the date of the anniversary of the Supreme Court's 1973 *Roe v. Wade* ruling which legalized abortion in all 50 states. It is the largest annual human rights demonstration in the world. But this is not just a protest... **TOGETHER WE GATHER TO CELEBRATE LIFE...** each and every life, from the moment of conception to natural death. We envision a world where every life is celebrated, valued, and protected. This year's March for Life in D.C. is this coming Friday, January 19. Please keep all those who gather for the March this Friday in your prayers.

Monday, Jan. 22nd is the actual 51st anniversary of *Roe v. Wade* and all dioceses of the United States are to observe a "day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion."

**GRIEF SUPPORT**

*Are you grieving the loss of a loved one?*

Our Grief Support group is led by Doug & Mary Pat Ernst and they generally meet twice a month. If you are interested in joining our Grief Support Group, call the parish office (276-669-8200) or [stannes@stannes-bristol.org](mailto:stannes@stannes-bristol.org) or contact Mary Pat & Doug.

*O Lord, we thank You for the life You gave to our loved one, and the life everlasting that You grant to our loved one now.*

*Let Your presence in heaven be a blessing to our loved one and let Your dwelling with us now here on earth be a comfort to us as we mourn this loss in our lives. Amen.*



**CHURCH SUPPORT**

**Collection Dec. 30/31**

**& mailed/postmarked 2023 donations**

Regular/Operating	\$32,273.01
Christmas Holy Day	5,140
Immaculate Conception	20
Special Collection/Holy Land	1,378
Social Ministry/Parish Charity	40
Commonwealth Catholic Charities	2,185

**Collection Jan. 6/7 & Solemnity of Mary**  
**(donations rec'd 2024)**

Regular/Operating	\$13,326.01
Christmas Holy Day	25
Immaculate Conception	300
Respect Life	100
Bristol Faith in Action	20
St. Anne's School/dioc. schools	3,344
Solemnity of Mary	3,066

**E-Giving (on 12/31/2023)**

Regular/Operating	\$1,478
St. Anne's School/dioc.schools	15
Building/Maintenance Reserve	25
Christmas Holy Day	15
Commonwealth Catholic Charities	10

**E-Giving (Jan. 1-5, 2024)**

Regular/Operating	\$3,706
St. Anne's School/dioc.schools	215
Building/Maintenance Reserve	50
Christmas Holy Day	53
Solemnity of Mary Holy Day	45
Respect Life	45

**2nd Collection** next Sunday (Jan. 21) is for **Respect Life**.

**2023 Tax Statements:**

The statements should be available to be picked up in the commons next weekend (Jan. 20/21). Those not picked up will be mailed the end of January.



Spot light on...

**Council of  
Catholic Women  
(CCW)  
January Meeting**

All women of the parish are invited to the  
Council of Catholic Women January Meeting

**Date:** Thursday, January 18

**Time:** 12 Noon

**Place:** Monsignor Hickie Center (Bingo Hall)

*Refreshments will be served.*

**Guest Speaker:** Carol Reynolds,  
St. Anne Parishioner

**Topic:** The Importance of Writing Your Story!

**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity  
(Jan. 18-25)**

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is an international  
Christian ecumenical observance kept annually between  
January 18-25 in the Northern Hemisphere (*and observed  
around Pentecost in the Southern Hemisphere*).

**As we renew our commitment to this call,  
may this love strengthen our unity as Christians.**

**Lighthouse Catholic Media —CD of the Week:  
*Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist.***

Dr. Brant Pitre uses the Hebrew Scriptures and Jewish  
tradition to fame the actions of Jesus at the Last Supper, and  
to provide a fresh look at the heart of Catholic practice—the  
Eucharist. By taking us back to the Jewish roots of our  
faith, Dr. Pitre gives us a powerful lens through which to  
see anew the bread of the presence, the manna the Last  
Supper, and ultimately the meaning of the Eucharist. Find  
this CD and many more at the Lighthouse CD display in the  
commons. A \$3 per CD donation is appreciated and enables  
us to restock with new titles.



From February 14th thru March 24th area Christians from  
various denominations are participating in the **40 Days for  
Life** campaign to end abortion. For 40 days we will pray,  
fast, and have a peaceful daily payer vigil near the Bristol  
Women's Health abortion business located at 2603 Osborne  
Street, Bristol, VA. Please plan to join us To volunteer,  
contact Angie Bush at [40daysbristoltn@gmail.com](mailto:40daysbristoltn@gmail.com) or 276-  
644-0340. You can learn more at [www.40daysforlife.com](http://www.40daysforlife.com).

***Together we can end abortion in the Tri-Cities.***